

HB618 Proponent Testimony

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Chairman Wiggam, Vice-Chair Stephens, Ranking Member Kelly, and Members of the House State and Local Government Committee.

Thank you so much for this opportunity to provide written testimony regarding HB618. I am a proponent of HB618 because we need to keep Ohio open. We cannot suffer through another shut down, we need to start fixing all of the economic damage from the first shutdown. I am worried about the overall ramifications of the 1<sup>st</sup> shut down and how this is going to affect the future of Ohio. I know many businesses have been struggling since spring. While I do believe we need to take caution during this health crisis, I also believe the numbers have not reflected truth. In a time like this where people are already stressed, we should not be adding another burden, a financial burden, to a society that is already emotionally drained on all fronts.

Thank you

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